

**INSTITUTIONAL CAPITAL PROJECT:
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE –
HEALTH SCIENCES CAMPUS FITNESS FACILITY**

**ACTION
Agenda Item G-4
November 13, 2000**

Recommendation:

The staff recommends that the Council approve the University of Louisville's request for a \$1,660,000 capital project from agency funds and private funds to remodel and realign space on the first floor of the Health Sciences Campus parking garage into a recreation and wellness facility for students.

Background:

The Council has the statutory responsibility to review and approve postsecondary education capital construction projects costing \$400,000 or more regardless of the source of funds. The University of Louisville Board of Trustees has approved this project.

The remodeling and realignment of the first floor of the HSC parking garage will support the university's need to provide recreation, health, and wellness opportunities at the Health Sciences Campus. The project is on the first floor of a parking garage constructed by the university in 1994.

The project will convert 7,900 square feet of the first floor of the HSC parking garage, eliminating 20 parking spaces. Sufficient parking is available at other locations on the Health Sciences Campus. When completed, the space will meet all Americans with Disabilities Act, environmental, air quality, and OSHA requirements. Basic telecommunications infrastructure, including computer wiring and Internet access, will be installed. Provisions also will be made to accommodate future improvements in telecommunications.

The University of Louisville has certified that funds necessary for the completion of the capital project are available from a combination of institutional (\$830,000) and private (\$830,000) funds. Operating costs will come from a special student fee implemented in fall 1999. The Office of Student Affairs will operate the facility when complete.

Following Council action at its November 13 meeting, the staff will forward the Council's recommendation to the Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet and to the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee.